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## REVIEWED BY METCALF

### Gunboat Yorktown Carries the Secretary

### SALUTED BY 17 GUNS

### Admiral Evans Was Not Well Enough Today to Go on Board the Connecticut

### RELINQUISHES HIS COMMAND

### The Fleets at Anchor in the Bay Con- stitute the Heaviest Fighting Force the Navy Has Ever Known in a Single Command.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 8.—The combined Atlantic and Pacific fleets of battleships, armored cruisers, torpedo boats and destroyers and auxiliaries aggregating a total displacement of 400,000 tons were reviewed today by Secretary Metcalf. Forty-four vessels of the two fleets lay at anchor in four long columns and proceeding from the Oakland shore, the secretary on the little gunboat Yorktown, proceeded southward through two lines formed by armored cruisers of the Pacific fleet and the second squadron of the Atlantic fleet. Turning back at the end of these two lines, the Yorktown traversed a lane formed on the starboard side by the battleships of the first Atlantic squadron and on the port by the grim little destroyers. Rear Admiral Evans, who had hoped to end his active naval career by participating in today's official ceremonies was not permitted by his attending physician to go aboard the Connecticut. Rear Admiral Thomas was again the "senior officer present."

Admiral Evans was quite fatigued by the ride in the long parade yesterday. Tomorrow forenoon is the time set for Admiral Evans finally to relinquish his command. Although he will not be aboard the ship his flag will officially be lowered from the truck of the Connecticut as the sharp speaking rifles of the after bridge boom out their parting salute of 13 guns.

A few minutes later another 13 guns will mark the assumption of the command by Admiral Thomas who will be in charge only until May 15 and he will be succeeded by Rear Admiral Sperry, who will take the fleet to Puget Sound and on its tour of the world.

This afternoon was marked by the presentation of the silver services to the California and Nebraska and tonight interest will be divided between the two shore functions in honor of the officers and the athletic carnival for the benefit of the men.

### Admiral's Farewell.

Rear Admiral Evans bade a personal farewell to the officers of his command at a banquet given tonight in honor of the Atlantic fleet by the city of San Francisco. He was wheeled into the room and in a characteristic 15-minute speech declared that what is needed to preserve the peace of the world is more battleships and fewer statesmen.

"As to armor belts," the Admiral declared, "it made no difference whether they are at the waterline or whether they are made of leather, wood or egg-shells."

"It is the men who shoot the straightest and stand punishment the longest who win the battles. And it

is of such stuff that the American navy is made."

Admiral Evans who cheered again and again.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 8.—Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, commander in chief of the Atlantic fleet, closes his long sea career to-day when he goes aboard his flagship, the Connecticut for the last time to be present at the review of the combined Atlantic and Pacific fleets by Secretary of the Navy Metcalf. The review begins at 10 o'clock this morning when the little gunboat Yorktown, with the secretary's white anchored flag at the main truck and with the civilian head of the navy and a party of guests on board, puts out from the Oakland shore to make a tour up and down the four lines of anchored battleships, armored cruisers and torpedo boat destroyers. This will be the first big review of the navy that President Roosevelt has not made in person since he went into the White House six years and a half ago. The fleets at anchor in the hill-

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### RELIEF FUND BALANCE.

NEW YORK, May 8.—At the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce a letter was received from D. Ogen Mills saying that there is remaining in the custody of the committee of which Mr. Mills is chairman, some \$70,000 of the San Francisco relief fund collected by the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Mills suggested that the chamber authorize the committee to turn the money over to the hospitals of that city, and such action will probably be taken.

## OFFICERS AND MEN

### Win the Fight for an Increase of Pay

### MEN WILL GET \$5,000,000

### An Appropriation of \$7,000,000 Was Made for Purpose—Nine Hundred Officers on the Retired List Will Also Benefit by the Increase.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The officers and enlisted men of the army won the fight today for the increased pay when the house, after a debate of two hours agreed to a conference report on the army appropriation bill. An appropriation of \$7,000,000 was made for the purpose \$5,000,000 of which will go to the enlisted men. Nine hundred officers on the retired list will also benefit by the increase. Under a suspension of the rules the bills were passed placing the Porto Rican regiment of infantry on a permanent basis and authorizing additional aids to navigation in lighthouse establishment.

### TRANSVAAL MAY GET BAY.

LISBON, May 8.—The Economist today announces that Delagoa Bay, in Portuguese East Africa, probably will be released to the Transvaal as an outcome of a conference recently held at Pretoria. Although this will materially relieve the colonial budget of Portugal, the paper regards the move as unwise.

### HIDDEN BY RELATIVES.

JANESVILLE, Wis., May 8.—Swanhilda Guinness, daughter of the second husband of Mrs. Guinness, is near Janesville, hidden by relatives. She was kidnapped from Mrs. Guinness's home and brought here for safety by an uncle, Gust Guinness, of Minneapolis. Steps will be taken to claim the Guinness estate for her.

## SENSATIONAL COURT SCENE

### Precipitated by Heney in the Ruef Trial

### ACH IRRITATES HENEY

### "If Either of You Want Anything and Will Come Outside I'll Give It to You"

### "THEN I'LL CALL YOU A LIAR"

### Heney Said he Was Receiving Threat- ening Letters Threatening His Life and Was Daily Called Vile Names in the Corridor of the Building.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 8.—Endeavoring to come to the defense of James L. Gallagher, the prosecution's star witness, who was being subjected to a severe cross-examination and accused of having put words into the witness' mouth, Heney precipitated a sensational scene in the court room during the Ruef trial today. Ach had cross-examined Gallagher for some time without finding a vulnerable point but as he continued and became more severe with the repetition of questions in various forms and a relentless probing for details, Gallagher became nervous and confused.

Wrought up by Ach's methods and insistence for categorical replies, Heney remonstrated and said it was about time that Ach was stopped from putting words in the witness' mouth and trying to mislead him. Ach came back with the accusation that it was Heney who put the words in Gallagher's mouth.

"You're a liar," retorted Heney, jumping to his feet.

"Put him in jail," shouted Murphy.

"If either of you want anything and will come outside I'll give it to you this minute," challenging Heney, reaching for his hat.

"Take that big gun out of your pocket," retorted Murphy, "Then I'll call you a liar."

"Yes, and if you do, I'll use it," said Heney as he started for the table of the counsel, for the defense, at the same time dropping his hand to his side menacingly. He was stopped by Detective Burns sitting directly behind him.

The court all this time was exclaiming "Gentlemen!" "Gentlemen!"

Ach pushed his associate back into a chair and admonished him "To be a gentleman."

Order being restored, the court said if it was not for the fact that he wants to get through with the case, there be no trial of it for week.

"If Heney has a gun in his pocket," said Ach, but was interrupted by Heney with "Yes, I have a gun, an attempt has been made to assassinate me and one other man connected with these proceedings by some of their crowd of thugs. There are about half a dozen in this court room now."

"Yes, Burns' thugs," interjected Murphy.

"No, your thugs."

Trouble had broken out again.

"He goes around making a big noise, thinking he will scare somebody," shouted Murphy.

Ach addressing the court said he wished to take exception to the statement made before the jury that he was not armed in court. He declared Ruef had no one in his employ except his attorneys and the office boy. He added that if Heney considered

his life in danger he should have a body guard.

Heney said he was receiving threatening letters threatening his life and was daily called vile names by persons in the corridors and on the sidewalks in front of the building.

Court against severely admonished the attorneys and Ach proceeded with his cross-examination.

Just before court adjourned Judge Dooling again admonished the attorneys against a repetition of the scene. Heney apologized saying he had been under a heavy strain during the past four years of trial.

As Ach and Heney met outside the court room it looked as if hostilities would be renewed.

"You accused me of 'fixing' a witness," said Heney. "I won't stand that from any man," vehemently declared Heney. Ruef's counsel paid no attention to the remark.

### WILL NOT FIGHT O. R. & N.

SALEM, Or., May 8.—The Railroad Commission is in receipt of a letter from the joint committee of the Business Men's Association and the Citizen's League, of Baker City, asking for the withdrawal and authorizing the dismissal without prejudice of the complaint relative to the long-distance tariff, recently ordered into effect on the O. R. & N. The only reason given is that they do not desire to proceed with the hearing at this time.

### KELTON CORPSE ASHORE.

NEWPORT, Or., May 8.—Another body from the lost crew of the steamer Minnie E. Kelton came ashore 20 miles north of here yesterday afternoon. It has not been identified.

## UNRAVELING TANGLE

### Skilled Detectives Called to the Aid of Sheriff

### GUINNESS CASE A PUZZLE

### With the World-wide Publicity Given to La Porte Enquiries as to the Whereabouts of Missing Men Are Being Made of the Sheriff.

La Porte, Ind., May 8.—Calling to their aid skilled detectives, the authorities of La Porte County to-day doubled their efforts in the task of unravelling the tangled skein of murder and arson in the Guinness case.

With the world-wide publicity given to the La Porte during the last few days queries as to the whereabouts of men who are said to have started for the town from different points of the country have begun to pour in but Sheriff Smutzer declines to disclose their names.

Two rumors are current, one that a man from Providence, R. I. was among the dead and another that a man living in Ohio is said to have visited Mrs. Guinness and that a few days later she explained the possession of his horse and carriage after he had disappeared by the explanation that she "had traded with him".

At the same time suspicion had been aroused as to the fate of several hired men formerly employed by Mrs. Guinness. These have been given expression by several neighbors who assert their belief that most of them met death at their hands.

About seven years ago it is said Olaf Lambo was in her service and upon her looking for another to take his place she was asked where he was, she replied that he had gone to Norway to witness the coronation of the king.

Amel Green, who is said to have told his friends that he frequently was aroused by Mrs. Guinness at night with an explanation that guests had arrived and that he would have to sleep in the barn is supposed to be somewhere in the west but his

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## NO OFFICIAL KNOWLEDGE

### Is Possessed By the In- terstate Commission

### NO IMMUNITY PLEDGE

### The Commodity Provision of the Hepburn Law Has Not Been Violated

### THE LAW STRICTLY ENFORCED

### Commission Recommends to Con- gress That it Enact a Provision Ex- tending the Operation of the Com- modity Clause of the Hepburn Law.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—No official information is in the possession of interstate commerce commission concerning the violations by the interstate railroads of the so-called commodity provision of the Hepburn law and the commission has no knowledge of any agreement or understanding between the railroad companies and the authorities charged with the duty of enforcing the law whereby the railroad companies affected by the commodity provision are to be given any immunity from punishment for its violation. The commission however recommends to congress that it enact a provision extending the operation of the commodity clause of the Hepburn act in the interest of fairness to the railroads so that sufficient time may be had to test in the courts the validity of the enactment.

### FIRE UNDER CONTROL.

ATLANTA, May 8.—A million and a quarter dollars is the loss conservatively estimated tonight of the fire which early today destroyed two blocks of Atlanta business property. Tonight the fire is under control with the ruined buildings in the district bounded by Forsythe, Nelson, Madison and Hunter streets. Late today the police and fire departments dynamited what was left of the ragged walls. How the fire started is a mystery. There was no loss of life and no injuries. The insurance is estimated at \$750,000.

### N. P. TO SELL 700,000 ACRES.

HELENA, May 8.—Howard Elliott, president of the Northern Pacific, who has been a Helena visitor for two days, said today that his company would throw open immediately 200,000 acres of land near Glendive and in the near future 500,000 acres near Billings. The company will endeavor to bring in only actual settlers, the deeds being conditioned on residence.

### TROOPS FOR NIGHTRIDERS.

COLUMBUS, O., May 8.—Troop A, the crack mounted company of the Ohio National Guard, from Cleveland, passed through Columbia today en route for the tobacco fields in Southern Ohio. The troop will assist the other troops to prevent Night Riders from Kentucky from making raids in Ohio.

CYNTHIANA, Ky., May 8.—Twenty-two members of the militia company (mounted) left late last night under sealed orders. It is supposed their destination is Augusta, across the Ohio River from Brown county, Ohio, where Night Riders have been active recently.

### ARRESTED FOR MURDER.

DENVER, May 8.—"Red" (Roy) Hisle, was arrested here today on the charge of murdering Charles H. Wright, the express messenger, who was shot and killed in the express car of a Denver and Rio Grande train when approaching Denver yesterday morning. Hisle is said to have a police record. The nature of the evidence against him was not made public.

### RAINY RIVER PROJECT.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—In a letter to Representative J. Adam Bete of Minnesota, just made public at the White House, President Roosevelt expresses his willingness to sign a bill for the completion of the Rainy River Irrigation project, a measure which he vetoed a short time ago, providing two additional provisions are inserted, first, that the concession to the company be limited to 99 years, and second that a charge be made by the government on the company for concession.

### BASEBALL SCORES

At Seattle—Seattle 0; Tacoma 1.  
At Portland—No game.  
At San Francisco—Oakland 6, Los Angeles 0.

### REFORM ADVOCATED

RICHMOND, May 8.—The establishment by the United States of a public health department and the appointments of a board of control for the management of the United States prisoners were advocated at a section meetings of the nation conference of charities and corrections.

## FERRIS CONFESSES

### To Dynamiting the Burlington Train Last Friday

### SAYS HAD NO ACCOMPLICES

### Watched the Wreck and Then Assisted the Conductor of the Train in Summoning Aid—Broke the Lock of the Powder House With a Stone.

Butte, Mont., May 8.—In a detailed confession Lewis Ferris, the young Italian who dynamited the Burlington train near this city Friday night, in which two men lost their lives, tells of breaking the lock on the powder house of the West Olive Branch Mine with a rock, stealing 45 sticks of dynamite and placing the entire amount on the track.

Ferris watched the explosion which wrecked the train and then assisted the conductor of the train in summoning aid. He yesterday piloted the officers about the scene of the explosion and to the powder house, explaining how he stole the powder and his method of wrecking the train. His story concerning the theft of the powder has been corroborated.

Ferris declares that he alone is to blame for the dynamiting and claims that he was drunk at the time. His actions and general demeanor impress one as being those of a half-witted person.

From evidence in the possession of the officers it is believed that Ferris attempted the holdup of the North Coast Limited of the Northern Pacific about ten days ago at Welch's Spur east of Butte.

### RICKMERS' CREW SAVED.

NEW YORK, May 8.—The Oak Island Life-Saving Station reports at 6:20 that the crew and the wreckers on board the ship Peter Rickmers have been safely landed by the life-saving crews from the nearby life-saving stations. The stern of the ship was knocked off by the heavy seas.